general information bulletin

A COLLEGE FOR MEN AND WOMEN

avila college

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New, relevant, alive, coed

Accreditation

Avila College is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the Missouri Department of Public Instruction, the Missouri State Board of Nursing, and the National League for Nursing. It is an institutional member of the Kansas City Regional Council for Higher Education, the American Council on Education, the National Commission on Accrediting, the National Catholic Educational Association, the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education, the Conference of Catholic Schools of Nursing, the American Alumni Council, the American Association of University Women, and other state and national groups.

Avila is a growing college
with new ideas.
Its students are very much alive
to the world today.
Its faculty stimulate students
to be alert and aware of
needs, problems, and solutions.
New questions are being asked.
New answers are being sought.
Curriculum changes are made
as new needs are felt.

Avila's philosophy of education
is incorporated in its
basic objectives:
to offer a relevant education,
to set forth Christian values,
to develop the talents of students,
to offer leadership
in teaching and in research.

Coed

Avila became coed in September, 1969. For the first time, men were admitted as full-time students. Residence facilities for men will be available in September, 1970.

Enrollment

Enrollment at Avila in September, 1969, was 547 students from 23 states and 11 foreign countries. There were 213 resident students living on campus at Avila, in the Coach Lamp Apartments, and on Avila's European campus at Ansembourg Castle near Luxembourg City. There were 334 commuter students.

Degrees

Bachelor of Arts degree
Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree
Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology

Majors

art
biology
business and economics
chemistry
pre-school education
elementary education
special education
English
French
history
mathematics
medical technology
music
natural science
nursing
sociology
Spanish
speech and theatre
religious education

Minors

philosophy
psychology
secondary education
theology
and in above major areas
A two-year business program is also offered.

For more detailed information write to the Director of Admissions for a brochure in the desired subject area.

Campus Life

Life on campus is
a pleasant combination
of many elements:
hard work in the classroom,
thoughtful seminars,
tough lab sessions,
intensive study,
eager questions,
relaxed reading,
strolls through and around
the 48-acre campus,
snacks in the student center
or in the snack kitchens in the dorms,
conferences with faculty,
art exhibits, lectures, concerts,
volunteer work,
student activities,
social events with other students
on or off campus.

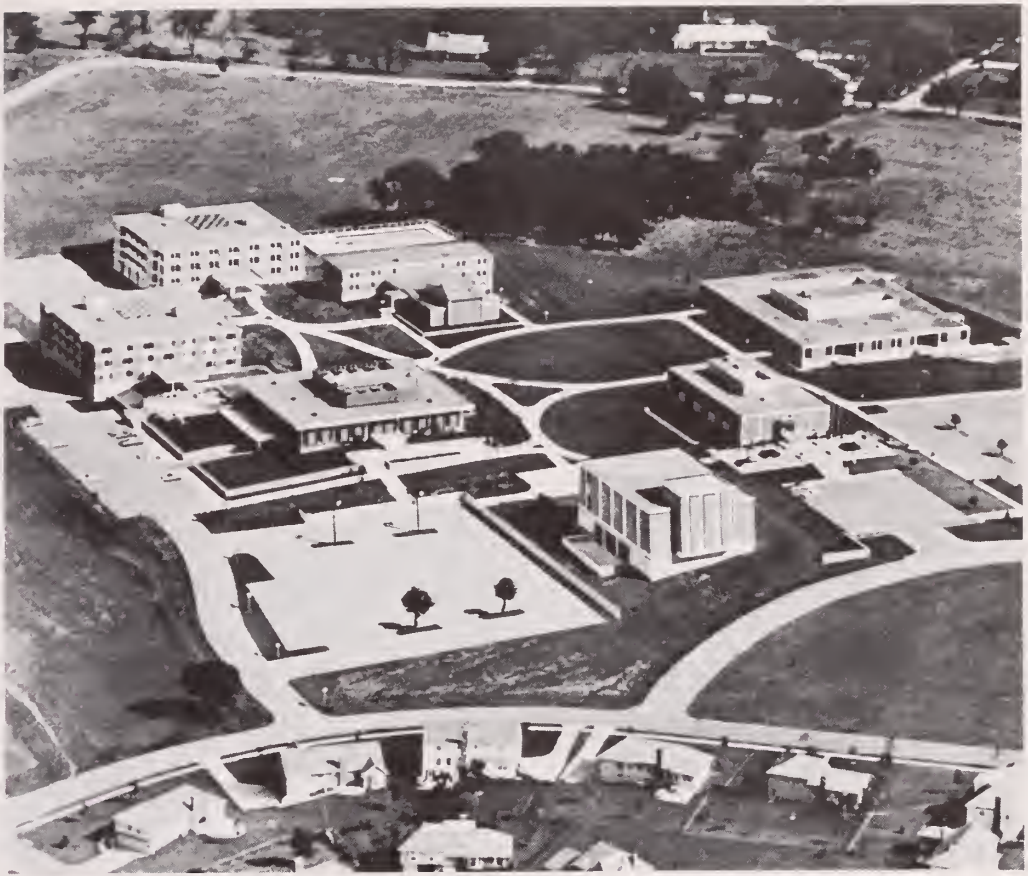
Values

Avila is concerned about
the physical, spiritual, and
mental well-being of all students.

Avila is a Catholic college, but there are no religious requirements. Students of other faiths are welcome and are coming in ever-increasing numbers.

New and Old

Avila is 53 years old and fully accredited; but it is new at the same time. In 1963, the college moved to a new 48-acre campus. All the buildings are new, air-conditioned, and specifically designed to meet college needs in classroom, laboratory, residence, and recreation areas.
The philosophy and goals of the college are expressed in the openness, simplicity, and functional arrangement of the buildings.
In 1965, Avila won the Kansas City Urban Design Award for its excellent architectural design.
In 1969, Avila won the Kansas City Lighting Award for the creative use of light in the college chapel.



Buildings

Five buildings front the center mall:

O'Reilly Hall (1963)
Academic building with classrooms, science laboratories, and lecture hall, language lab, assembly hall and experimental theatre.

Administration-Library Building (1963)
Administrative offices on upper level, library on lower level with 52,000 volumes and 350 current magazine subscriptions.

Carondelet Residence Hall (1965)
Three-story residence hall
with bedrooms, lounge areas,
study rooms,snack kitchen,
and laundry facilities
on each floor. Roof sun deck
and lower level recreation room.

Student bedrooms are double
and arranged as quasi-suites
with sleeping and study areas
separated by floor-to-ceiling
dividers with desks and book
shelves on one side and
dressing tables and closet
space on the other.

Marian Center (1965)
Formal lounge, dining room
for 350 persons, student lounge,
conference rooms, book store,
and snack machines.
Students gather here for snacks,
study, conversation, and relaxation.
Evening mixers, lectures, seminars,
and sing-ins are often held in the
warmth of the open fireplace.

Chapel and Faculty Residence (1967)
A chapel for the use of students and faculty. A faculty residence for religious faculty.

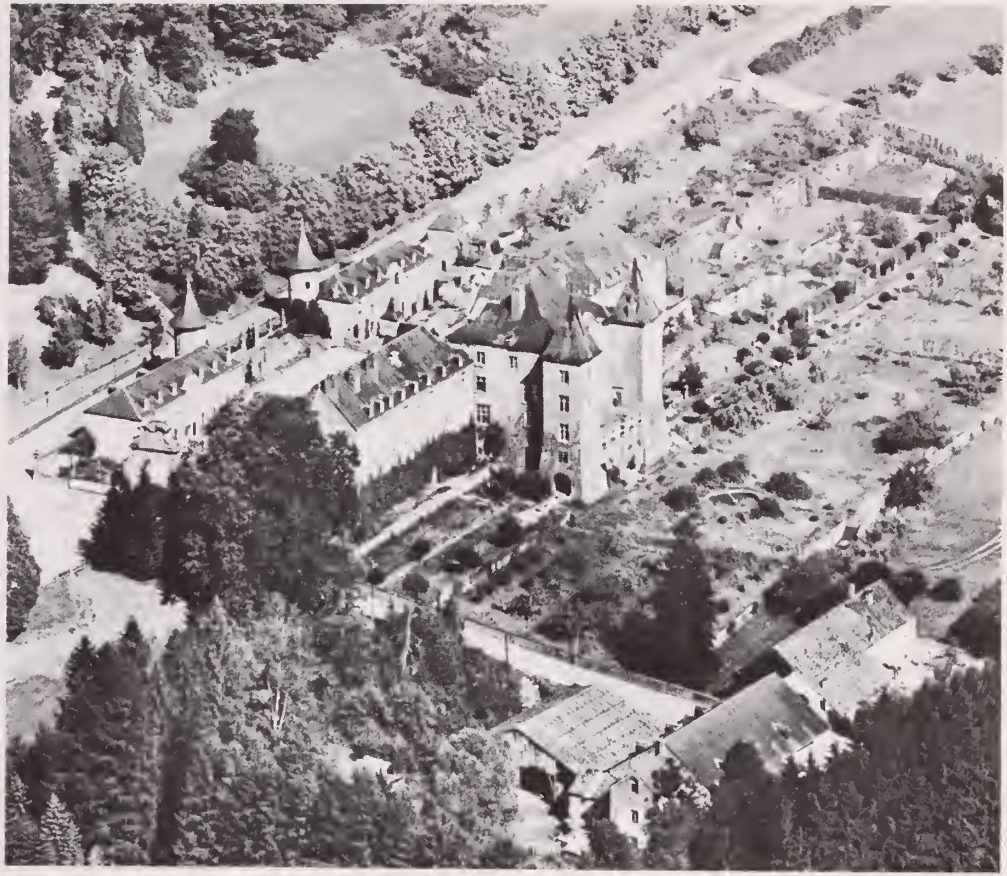
Student residence Hall (1970)
A second residence hall similar to Carondelet Hall is under construction. It will be ready for occupancy in September, 1970.

Coach Lamp Apartments
The Coach Lamp Apartments at Red Bridge near Avila are available to resident upperclassmen. These two-bedroom apartments are new and complete with every convenience.

Fine Arts Center (1971)
The construction of the C. H. Goppert Fine Arts Center will begin in 1970. This center will contain a theatre; studios for art, music, and theatre; exhibit areas; classrooms; and lecture rooms.

Campus in Europe

Study in Europe is a valuable experience. Avila has opened a study center in Ansembourg Castle near Luxembourg City. Six American colleges and one university are co-sponsoring this center known as Vita International. Art, music, drama, foreign languages and international relations are the areas of the curriculum stressed. Group travel in Europe is provided, and individual trips are available. Students may study at the center for one or two semesters, the winter inter-session, or the summer session.



Campus Activities

Each year Avila presents drama productions, concerts, a music festival, recitals, art exhibits, lectures and institutes on art, music, religion, politics, and race relations.

The Student Government Association (SGA) arranges social activities, dances, festivals, special programs in addition to their other duties. Nu Sigma Chi is the campus club for nursing; the Student National Education Association (SNEA) for education majors; the French Club for French majors; International Relations Club (IRC) for social science majors; and other departmental clubs. Many students do inner-city tutoring or parish catechetical work.

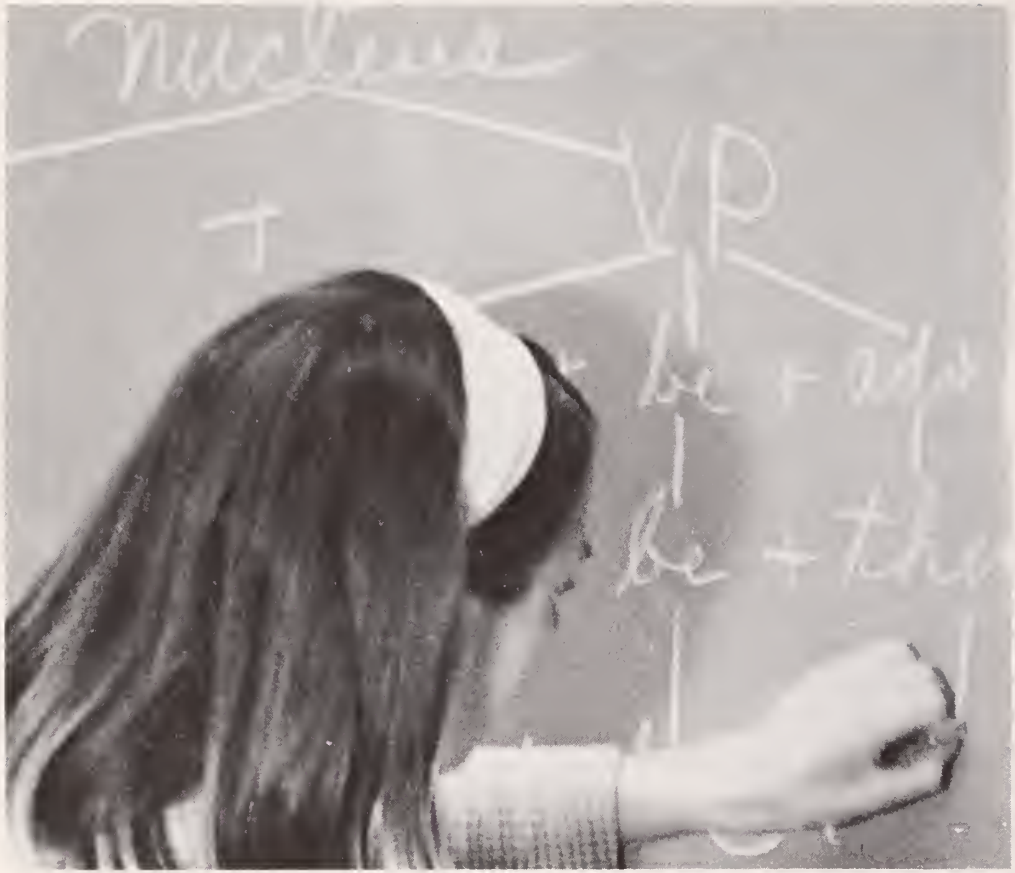
Because of the close proximity of other colleges, activities often extend from one campus to another.

A Metropolitan College

Avila is a metropolitan college with many cultural advantages. Students can attend the Philharmonic Concerts, the Lyric Opera, the Ruth Seufert series (music, dance, drama), the Missouri Repertory Theatre, the Jewish Community Center Poetry Readings and Repertory Theatre. During the summer, the Starlight Theatre and the Barn Theatre attract many. The Nelson Art Gallery is one of the outstanding galleries in the United States.

The Country Club Plaza is famous for its Spanish architecture, shopping center, Hallmark exhibits, fountains, and sidewalk art fairs.

The Kansas City Regional Council for Higher Education (KCRCHE) is a consortium of seventeen area colleges of which Avila is a member. The other colleges offer many additional opportunities in music, theatre, dance, and in other phases of the fine arts.



Curriculum

Your education is a matter of personal concern to the college. Every effort will be made to plan with you a course of study appropriate to your needs for your personal and professional development. Your advisor will help you. A guidance counselor will be available for special needs you may have.

Inter-Institutional Aids

Exchange courses may be taken at the other KCRCHE colleges with no extra tuition charges.

Avila Faculty (1969 - 1970)

Full-time faculty	41
Part-time faculty	12
Lay faculty	28
Religious faculty	25

Expenses

Nothing is more important to you than the probable costs of college. Avila has worked hard to keep costs stable. Avila has not raised tuition when the cost of living was rising.

Full-time students (1970-1971)
$550 per semester — Tuition
$500 per semester — Board and Room
(The room reservation fee of $50 is credited on the second semester account.)

Part-time students (1970-1971)
$35.00 — Tuition per credit hour
$10.00 — General Fee (per semester)

Other expenses will vary from student to student. These include books (about $50 per semester), entertainment, laundry, snacks, transportation. Avila students wear casual clothing.

All expenses are payable in advance and due not later than the day of registration. If desired, deferred payment plans may be arranged with the treasurer.

Financial Assistance

For qualified students who wish to attend Avila and cannot afford to do so, Avila offers its own scholarships and grants. It also administers federal scholarships, grants, and loans. Financial assistance is estimated on the basis of information given in the Parents' Confidential Statement. Avila will cooperate with you in solving your problems. Make an appointment with the Director of Admissions.

Before You Come

Students who are planning to come to Avila are encouraged to visit the campus first to get a taste of the atmosphere and to meet students and faculty. You or your counselor may write to Avila's Director of Admissions at any time to make arrangements for a campus visit. Or you may wish to telephone (816) 942-3204.

Individual Consideration

The needs of transfer students, foreign students, special students, and part-time students will be carefully considered at Avila.

Advanced Placement

Avila gives advanced placement (with or without credit) to students who have done advanced work in high school.

Admissions Procedure

Admission to Avila College is based on your academic record, personal qualifications, and evidence of ability to do college work.
You should have sixteen acceptable units of high school work. Your academic records, rank in class, and national test scores will be needed. You should arrange to take the Scholastic Aptitude Test of the College Entrance Examination Board if possible in November or December before your coming to Avila.

If your application is completed by January 1 before the fall term, your chances of acceptance are best. But Avila considers all applications received up to September 1. If you will need financial assistance, your application should be made as early as possible. For more complete details and for application forms, write to

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